2010

M.Sc.

2nd Semester Examination

ANTHROPOLOGY

PAPER—A/C6/S6

Full Marks: 50

Time: 2 Hours

The figures in the right-hand margin indicate full marks.

Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.

Illustrate the answers wherever necessary.

Give answers to five questions:

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- 1. (a) Define a hypothesis.
 - (b) Distinguish between a 'variable' and a 'constant' with the help of an example.
 - (c) What is meant by cross-cultural comparison?
 - (d) Differentiate between 'emic' and 'etic' approaches in Anthropology.
 - (e) What is meant by quantification?
 - (f) What is independent variable? How is an independent variable related to a dependent variable?
 - (g) What do you understand by the term 'data'? Mention one of the sources of data.
 - (h) What do you mean by the term 'theory'? Name one anthropological theory.

- 2. Discuss the reasons behind the adoption of comparative method in Anthropology. 10
- **3.** Discuss the importance of combining qualitative and quantitative method in Anthropology with the help of some examples.
- **4.** What do you understand by the term 'method'? What is the implications of 'method' in terms of 'methodology'? Briefly discuss two methods in Anthropological research.

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- **5.** Briefly discuss the meaning and significance of the usage of 'emic' and 'etic' in Anthropological research. Give an example of emic type of research with some details.

5+5

6. What is fieldwork in anthropological research? Discuss briefly the styles of fieldwork at different periods of its development. 3+7